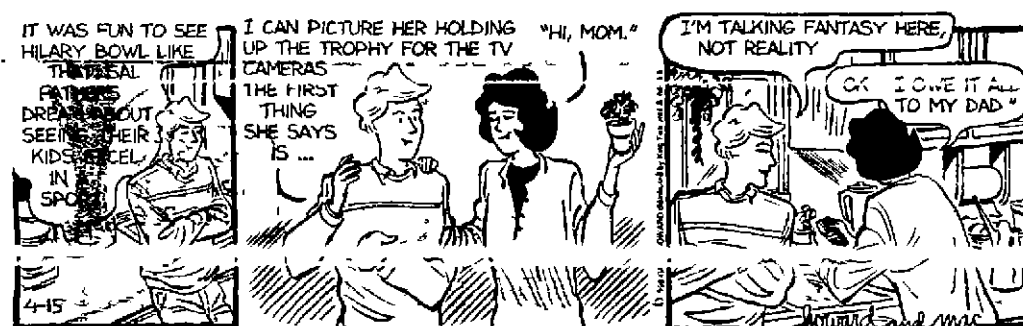


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SALLY FORTH



THE AMAZING SPIDER-MAN



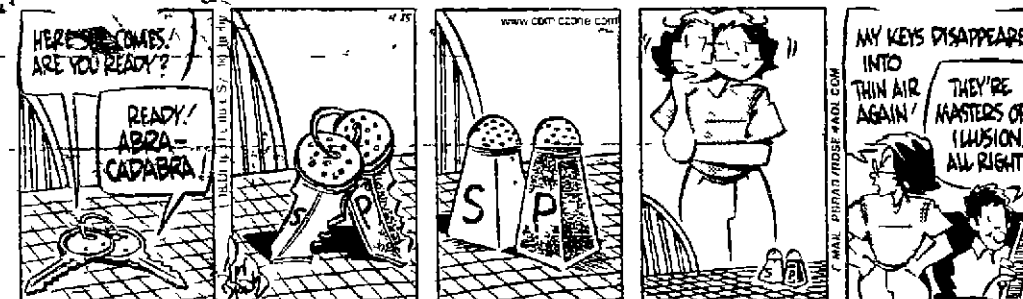
9 CHICKWEED LANE



ANDY CAPP



ROSE IS ROSE



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MOTHER GOOSE AND GRIMM



DILBERT



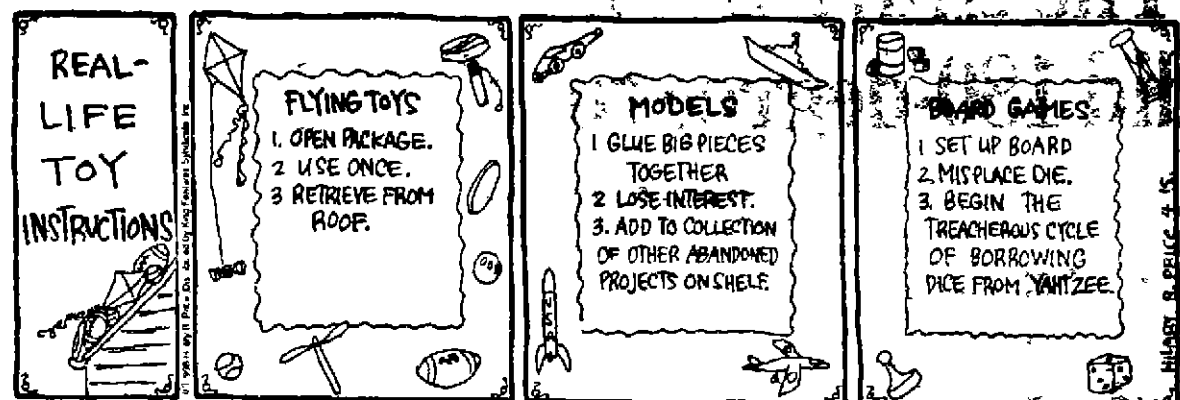
DENNIS THE MENACE



FAMILY CIRCUS



RHYMES WITH ORANGE



RALPH



Today's Birthdays

Actor Michael Ansara is 76. Country singer Roy Clark is 65. Actress Claudia Cardinale is 53. Rock singer-guitarist Dave Edmunds is 54. TV producer Linda Bloodworth-Thomason is 50. Actress Amy Wright is 48. Columnist Heloise is 47. Actress-screenwriter Emma Thompson is 39. Singer Samantha Fox is 32. Rock musician Ed O'Brien (Radiohead) is 30. Actor Flex is 28.

I NEED HELP



SCRABBLE

PAR SCORE 70-80 by JUDD

FOUR RACK TOTAL TIME LIMIT: 20 MIN

DIRECTIONS: Make a 2 to 7 letter word from the letters in each row. Add points of each word, using scoring directions at right. 7-letter words get 50-point bonus. "Blank" used as any letter has no point value. All Judd's words are in The Official Scrabble Players Dictionary (Merrim-Webster) and OSW Official Scrabble Words (Chambers). JUDD'S SOLUTION TOMORROW

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R	U	O	P	T	O	O
R	E	L	I	S	K	U
A	T	A	Q	O	H	U
A	U	L	U	S	C	A

2nd Letter Double

Double Word Score

For solution, see Classified

WORD SLEUTH

Carpenter's tools

D V S O N K H E B Y W T R O L

J G E B Y W S U R H P N K I G

D B Z X V S Q Q O M C R K I G

E B O B B M U L P L A N E C A

Y W L U S Q A P T B N L E J H

F E R E V I R D W E R C S R C

A T W A S K E O V E S U R E W

S Q P L L I R D G F I L E M N

M K J H F C H U E C B Z I M Y

X V U T R Q A C L E V E L A P

O M L K I N G E H C N U P H N

Tuesday's unlisted clue: GREAT

Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally.

Wedgehead's unlisted clue hint: USED TO TURN A BOLT

Auger File Plane Saw
Chisel Hammer Pliers Screwdriver
Crowbar Level Plumb bob Square
Drill Nail set Punch

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For solution, see Classified.

N.Y. TIMES CROSSWORD

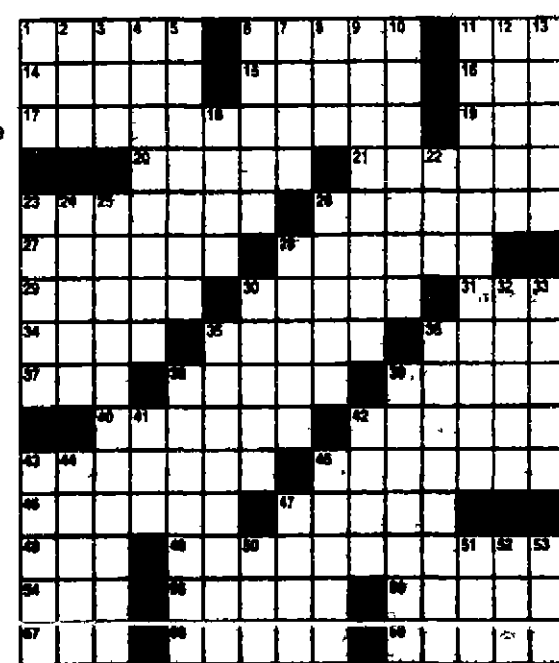
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Do a double take, e.g.
- 8 Affluence
- 11 It paves the way
- 14 Result
- 15 Four time N.L. home run leader
- 16 Till bill
- 17 Finishing touch
- 19 Dos Passos trilogy
- 20 Pope's "Solitude"
- 21 Taken around the track
- 22 Winded
- 23 How the tabloids tell many stories
- 27 Consolidates
- 28 Pacific
- 29 "Your place or mine?" and others
- 30 Hormone regulator
- 31 Dupe
- 32 End piece
- 33 Jeweler's glass
- 36 Pickle
- 37 Hydrocarbon suffix
- 38 KFC leavings
- 39 Linen fabric
- 40 Fishing nets
- 42 Justice from New Hampshire
- 43 Tough puzzle, informally
- 46 Own
- 48 Prove it!
- DOWN**
- 1 Kind of room
- 2 Rock's Brian
- 3 Tempe inst.
- 4 Preference
- 5 Collectible
- 6 Son of Japheth, in Genesis
- 7 Ment
- 8 Football's Parseghian
- 9 Circa 1895-1900
- 10 Feature of Mendelssohn's "A Midsummer Night's Dream"
- 11 Work a blinding look
- 12 Van Gogh locale
- 13 Photographer Adams
- 14 Alert
- 15 Twilights, poetically
- 16 Avance, e.g.

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

TORAH DAUS ADRA
ALONE ALPO GRAM
TENOR KISS RAGA
DENOPHTHIEVES
TODENATER DEARS
BAU IMA ELS
AMBIT DAA UBA
BATHROOM HUMOR
RITR ATTIG NATIGI

PULP LIES MEIS
UGAN SPATTERED
CLOSEEATERS
OTOS REHE UTTER
THREE DOTS NEWBY
OAYS PUCH GRACE



Puzzle by Jonathan Schwartz

- 23 Actor Tom
- 24 Kind of jack
- 25 Circa 1895-1900
- 26 Vaults
- 28 Swings around
- 29 Hopless case
- 30 Van Gogh locale
- 33 Jury members
- 35 Wanting company
- 36 Shouting inventor
- 38 Some
- 39 50-50 situations
- 41 Rank on "Star Trek" Abbr.
- 42 Something to break into
- 43 Phrase
- 44 Lost on purpose
- 46 Get guessed up
- 47 Keanness
- 48 Dallas cager, for short
- 49 Quilt
- 50 Genetic imbeds
- 51 Always, in poems

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